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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed document are also enclosed. The cited documents were recently cited in the attached European Search Report, issued in a foreign counterpart application, mailed on August 4, 2006. The concise explanation of relevance of the documents can be found in the attached English Abstracts thereof and in the European Search Report.

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Each item of information in this information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing date of this Statement.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the

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